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REF: A. NEW DELHI 10705; B. STATE 177536

1. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE SPECIALISED ENGINEERING ORGANISATION (HYDRO) OF THE GOI CENTRAL ELECTRICITY AUTHORITY (CEA) IS THE CONSULTANT FOR DESIGN AND ENGINEERING OF THE KOPILI HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT (KHEP), WHICH WAS CONCEIVED WELL IN THE PAST, BUT HAS LONG BEEN DORMANT. WE HAVE NEITHER REPORTED IN THE PAST NOR ARE ABLE TO CONFIRM FROM HERE ANY DEFINITE MAJOR TRADE OPPORTUNITY IN DESIGN, ELECTRO-MECHANICAL AND/OR CIVIL WORKS PORTION OF THE KHEP. EMBASSY MAY WISH TO CHECK WITH SEO(H) OF THE GOICEA AND OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION.

2. WE LEARN FROM OUR LOCAL CONTACT THAT KHEP IS ESSENTIALLY A CENTRALLY SPONSORED PROJECT IN NORTHEAST INDIA AND THE NEW 150 MW PROJECT IN ASSAM/MEGHALAYA BORDER WILL BE FINANCED BY THE GOI MINISTRY OF ENERGY. A NEW UNDERTAKING, NORTH EASTERN ELECTRIC POWER CORPORATION (NEEPCO) HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED IN APRIL 1976 UNDER THE GOI CONTROL TO IMPLEMENT THE KHEP. KHEP HAS REPORTELY COMMENCED PRELIMINARY CIVIL WORKS  
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FOR CONSTRUCTION OF DAMS TO FACILITATE UTILIZATION OF WATER OF THE KOPILI RESERVIOR FOR POWER GENERATION BY FOUR SMALL UNITS-TWO UNITS OF 50 MW EACH AND TWO UNITS OF 25 MW EACH. TARGETTED DATES FOR COMMENCEMENT OF POWER GENERATION ARAFU W FOLLOWS:  
FIRST 50 MW UNIT- 1981-82; AND THE SECOND 50 MW UNIT AND THE TWO UNITS OF 25 MW EACH BY 1982-83.

3. BELOW IS THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL OF THE EXECUTING AGENCY AS REQUESTED IN REFTEL B.

MR. S.B. MAJUMDAR, CHAIRMAN/MANAGING DIRECTOR  
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SHILLONG, MEGHALAYA, INDIA.  
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